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1. On 25 April North Korean army tank strength was slightly in excess of 400.¹ There were about 160 tanks in P'yongyang and vicinity.
2. The 105 Armored Division left Manp'ojin in mid-February for Kaego-dong (126-23, 41-05) (BA-8051). From Kaego-dong 500 tanks¹ moved southward toward Sukch'on (125-37, 39-24) (YD-2564) via Huih'on (126-16, 40-10) (BU-6749) and Kunmo-ri (125-53, 39-42) (YD-4798).
3. In early April 120 tanks from this group proceeded to the area of Simch'ŏn (126-30, 38-34) (BT-8271) and Hwasan-ni (125-44, 38-36) (YC-3876). At a later date 120 more tanks were dispersed in the same general area. These 240 tanks were further moved to the Pongsan (125-50, 38-31) (YC-4767) - Madong (125-52, 38-28) (YC-5061) area and were dispersed in groups of seven to ten. The tanks were well concealed and no training was taking place. Twelve Soviet advisers assigned to the original 500 tanks remained in Sukch'on.

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25X1 Shipments from the USSR to North Korea¹ have not been regular. On 25 April
25X1 the North Korean government was obliged to ship undamaged plant equipment
25X1 from Hamhung, Songjin, and Kymip'o plants to the USSR in exchange for
25X1 Soviet equipment.

Comment. The shipments from the USSR must be war materiel.

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